

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
Appln. No.: 09/380,276

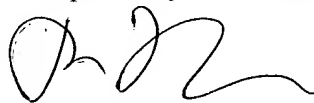
REMARKS

A computer readable form of the Sequence Listing has not previously been filed in this application. The paper copy of the Sequence Listing filed with the application was prepared using PatentIn version 2.0. However, to comply with the recent rule changes, a computer readable form of the Sequence Listing, and substitute paper copy, was prepared using PatentIn 3.0. The later version of PatentIn automatically produces a separate peptide sequence when a coding sequence is identified in a polynucleotide sequence. As a result, two identical peptide sequences were generated for some of the sequences upon use of version 3.0, and the replicates had to be deleted. In addition, the numbering of the sequences in the specification and claims had to be changed. Thus, the amendments to the specification and claims are necessitated by the generation of the computer readable format of the Sequence Listing using PatentIn 3.0.

No new matter has been introduced.

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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